

Deposition of Drew Robins

Royal Sleep Products, Inc. vs. Restonic Corporation

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS2 ROYAL SLEEP PRODUCTS, INC.
3 a Florida Corporation, Case No: 1:07 CV 6588

4 Plaintiff.

5 v.

6 RESTONIC CORPORATION,
7 an Illinois Corporation,
8 RESTONIC MATTRESS CORPORATION,
9 an Illinois Corporation,
10 SLEEP ALLIANCE, LLC,
11 a Delaware Limited Liability Company,
12 ROYAL BEDDING COMPANY OF BUFFALO,
13 a New York Corporation,
14 JACKSON MATTRESS CO., LLC,
15 a North Carolina Limited Liability Company,
16 CONTINENTAL SILVERLINE PRODUCTS, L.P.,
17 a Texas Limited Partnership,
18 STEVENS MATTRESS MANUFACTURING CO.,
19 a North Dakota Corporation,
20 TOM COMER, JR., an individual,
21 DREW ROBINS, an individual, and
22 RICHARD STEVENS, an Individual,**CERTIFIED COPY**

15 Defendants.

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18 ORAL DEPOSITION OF

19 DREW ROBINS

20 MAY 29, 2008

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23 EXHIBIT
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25 "A"

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1 line, including your attorney, when I refer,
2 Mr. Robins, to yourself, when I say "you" or -- I'm
3 referring to both you and to Continental Silverline.
4 If you need to make a distinction between you or
5 Continental Silverline, I'd appreciate that as well.
6 Okay?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Mr. Robins, have you ever maintained a bank
9 account in the state of Illinois?

10 A. No.

11 Q. And, sir, have you ever maintained an office
12 in the state of Illinois for your mattress business?

13 A. No.

14 Q. Have you ever employed any individual who was
15 a resident of the State of Illinois?

16 A. No.

17 Q. All right, sir. Are you familiar with an
18 individual by the name of Debbie Gory?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And who is Ms. Gory?

21 A. She was a -- previously an employee of
22 Restonic Mattress Corporation and...

23 Q. Go ahead. I'm sorry.

24 A. She was previously an employee of Restonic
25 Mattress Corporation.

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1 Q. Okay. Was Ms. Gory ever employed by
2 Continental Silverline or yourself in any capacity?

3 A. We had Ms. Gory, the best of my recollection,
4 as a contract employee to help with an installation of
5 a computer software program.

6 Q. And, sir, do you know how long Ms. Gory acted
7 as this contract employee?

8 A. About a year.

9 Q. All right. And do you know what period of
10 time that was, meaning when? Was it recently? Was it
11 five years ago?

12 A. It was from about two years -- about a year
13 and a half ago to about six months ago.

14 Q. All right. And did she resign or her task
15 was simply completed?

16 A. Her task was completed.

17 Q. And do you recall how Ms. Gory was paid? Was
18 she paid as an independent contractor, given a 1099;
19 or was she paid as an employee and issued a W-2?

20 A. I believe she was paid with a 1099, but I'm
21 not entirely certain.

22 Q. Okay. And irrespective of how she was paid,
23 be it a W-2 or a 1099, it's your understanding that
24 Continental Silverline, the defendant in this case,
25 paid her for her contract work; is that right?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And do you know where Ms. Gory lives, what
3 her resident state is?

4 A. I believe it's Illinois.

5 Q. Other than Ms. Gory, are you aware of any
6 other employee or independent contractor that you or
7 Continental Silverline employ, for whatever purpose,
8 who lives in the state of Illinois?

9 A. No.

10 Q. Hold on one second. I just need to get some
11 exhibits.

12 MR. SALKOWSKI: I'm going to be
13 introducing Exhibits Nos. 3, 4, 7, 8, 9 and 28. If
14 either the court reporter or Mr. Friedberg could
15 provide those exhibits to Mr. Robins, I'd appreciate
16 it.

17 MR. FRIEDBERG: And, actually, Robert,
18 if you would do us a favor, since we only have the one
19 copy that we received, really just moments before the
20 deposition, if you could also refer by the opening
21 Bates label for each of those.

22 MR. SALKOWSKI: Sure. I'll do that.

23 MR. FRIEDBERG: You know, when you refer
24 to them. That way, I can flip to my copy, please.

25 MR. SALKOWSKI: That's fine.